

IN THE SPECIFICATION

*Page 8, replace the first full paragraph with the following:*

Referring to Fig. 2, in [[In]] diaphragm 16, the part from inner periphery 16a of the diaphragm to bent section 21 is formed in a plane shape, and the part from bent section 21 to outer periphery 16b of the diaphragm is formed in a conical shape. Diaphragm 16 has a front surface and a back surface. The front surface corresponds to the upside surface of diaphragm 16 in Fig. 1, and the back surface corresponds to the downside surface of diaphragm 16 in Fig. 1. Inner periphery 16a is coupled to the outside of voice coil body 14, and outer periphery 16b is coupled to frame 18 via first edge 17. Diaphragm 16 and suspension holder 19 are coupled to bent section 21 using an adhesive or the like. Part of suspension holder 19 coupling to diaphragm 16 is defined as coupling section 22.

*Pages 8-9, replace the paragraph spanning these pages with the following:*

Semicircular The first edge 17 is coupled to outer periphery 16b, has a semicircular shape, and is made of urethane, rubber, or cloth to prevent a movable load from being charged on diaphragm 16. Bowl-like frame 18 coupled to outer periphery 16b via first edge 17 is made of a press piece of an iron plate, a resin molded piece, or aluminum die cast. These materials can respond to a complex shape.

*Page 30, replace the Abstract with the following:*

A speaker has a diaphragm (16) and a suspension holder (19) disposed on supporting the diaphragm from the back surface of the diaphragm. In the ~~The~~ diaphragm, the part from has a bent section (21) disposed between the its outer periphery and the its inner periphery, with the portion to the outer periphery is formed in having a conical shape. The diaphragm is coupled to the suspension holder through at the bent section of the diaphragm. This configuration can omit a damper causing the that causes nonlinearity and asymmetry of suspension, to reduce the harmonic distortion of the speaker [[,]] and improve the power linearity [[,]] and improve the performance of the speaker. Even The diaphragm can have a flat shape configuration at its inner peripheral portion, can be secured with sufficient rigidity, so that securing the rigidity of the diaphragm does not require and can be rigidly secured to a frame of the speaker. This can reduce the large thickness of the diaphragm and enable formation of a smaller, downsizing and low profile speaker can be realized.